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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 6, 2007. A Notice of Appeal was filed March 27, 2008 and this amendment is being timely filed on August 26, 2008, with payment and request for a three month extension of time and an RCE. The pending claims are listed beginning on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.